

Claims:

1. A lubricating oil composition (AA) comprising;

80 to 99 % by weight of a lubricating oil base (A) having
a kinematic viscosity at 100°C of 1 to 50 mm²/s and a viscosity
5 index of not less than 80, and

1 to 20 % by weight of an ethylene-propylene copolymer
(B) having the following properties (B1) to (B4) such that

(B1) the ethylene content is from 30 to 75 % by weight,

(B2) the intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$ is from 1.3 to 2.0 dl/g,

10 (B3) the Mw/Mn is not more than 2.4 and

(B4) the melting point as measured with DSC is not higher
than 30°C.

2. The lubricating oil composition (AA) of claim 1 wherein
15 the lubricating oil base (A) is a mineral oil or poly- α -olefin
each having the following properties (A1) to (A3) such that

(A1) the viscosity index is not less than 80,

(A2) the saturated hydrocarbon content is not less than
90 % by volume, and

20 (A3) the sulfur content is not more than 0.03 % by weight.

3. A lubricating oil composition (BB) comprising;

92 to 99.85 % by weight of a lubricating oil base (A) having

a kinematic viscosity at 100°C of 1 to 50 mm²/s and a viscosity index of not less than 80;

0.1 to 5 % by weight of an ethylene-propylene copolymer (B) having the following properties (B1) to (B4) such that

- 5 (B1) the ethylene content is from 30 to 75 % by weight,
(B2) the intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$ is from 1.3 to 2.0 dl/g,
(B3) the Mw/Mn is not more than 2.4 and
(B4) the melting point as measured with DSC is not higher
than 30°C; and

10 0.05 to 3 % by weight of a pour-point depressant (C).

4. The lubricating oil composition (BB) of claim 3 wherein the pour-point depressant (C) has a melting point as measured with DSC of not higher than -13°C.

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5. A lubricating oil for internal-combustion engines which oil comprises a lubricating oil composition (BB) as claimed in claim 3 or 4.